

REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending in this application. The Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of Claims 1-22 and 28-32. Claims 23-27 have been rejected. This rejection is respectfully traversed. However, in order to further the prosecution of this application, Claims 23-27 are canceled by this action. The Applicants do not concede to the Examiner's arguments and reserve the right to prosecute the canceled claims in continuation applications. All claims are now believed to be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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